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51557. *CYCLANTHERA PEDATA* (L.) Schrad. Cucurbitaceæ.

"(No. 470a. October 8, 1920.) Seeds of a cucurbit commonly sold in the Bogota market."

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 51390.

51558. *DURANTA REPENS* L. Verbenaceæ.

"(No. 482a. October 8, 1920.) Seeds of a shrub about 10 feet high, common around the edges of the mesa (sabana) of Bogota. It has small graceful racemes of light-blue flowers, followed by large golden berries. It resembles the *Duranta plumieri* cultivated in Florida and California, but apparently has larger fruits."

51559. *EPIPHYLLUM OXYPETALUM* (DC.) Haw. Cactaceæ. Cactus.

"(No. 474. October 8, 1920.) Cuttings of a shrubby plant of the *Phyllocactus* type about 8 feet high, cultivated in the patio of the Hotel del Valle, Guaduas, Cundinamarca, at 3,300 feet altitude."

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51560. *EPIPHYLLUM PHYLLANTHOIDES* (DC.) Sweet. Cactaceæ. Cactus.

"(No. 475. October 8, 1920.) Cuttings of a small plant with slender columnar stems reaching to about 2 feet in height; cultivated as a pot plant in the patio of the Hotel Gonzalez, Facatativa, Cundinamarca, at about 8,600 feet altitude."

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51561. *EPIPHYLLUM* sp. Cactaceæ. Cactus.

"(No. 471. October 8, 1920.) Cuttings of a broad-stemmed flowering cactus of the *Phyllocactus* type, cultivated as a pot plant in the Hotel Gonzalez, at Facatativa, at about 8,600 feet altitude."

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51562. *EUGENIA* sp. Myrtaceæ.

"(No. 479a. October 8, 1920.) Seeds of *arrayan*; many different myrtaceous shrubs are known under this name in tropical America. This particular one grows upon the edge of the sabana, near Facatativa, at altitudes of 8,500 to 9,500 feet. It is an exceedingly handsome arborescent shrub, with deep-green, almost glossy foliage and a great abundance of round fruits not quite half an inch in diameter, which change from green through yellow to orange-scarlet as they ripen. The fruits are edible, but of little value."

51563. *FRAGARIA CHILOENSIS* (L.) Duchesne. Rosaceæ. Strawberry.

"(No. 467a. October 8, 1920.) Seeds of *fruta de Chile*, often abbreviated to *fruta chil*. This is one of the cultivated strawberries of the Bogota region, quite distinct in character from the common wild strawberry (locally called *Fragaria vesca*).

"The fruit is about an inch long, slender obovate in outline, with rather few and large seeds and light-pink flesh of excellent aroma and flavor. It is a form of rather distinct character and should be of interest to those engaged in strawberry breeding. It may be mentioned that cultivated strawberries are rare in Bogota. I have seen this form only once."

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 46613.

51564. *FRAGARIA VESCA* L. Rosaceæ. Strawberry.

"(No. 485a. October 8, 1920.) Seeds of *fresa*, the common wild strawberry, found around the edges of the sabana of Bogota, principally at altitudes of 7,000 to 8,000 feet. The fruits are nearly round, rarely over an inch in diameter, with numerous very small seeds. In quality they are fairly good; sometimes they are dry and rather bitter, but ordinarily are juicy and of very pleasant flavor."

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 43997.